### **Potomac Yard Design Advisory Committee Meeting (PYDAC)**

# April 12, 2017 7 p.m. – 9 p.m. Location: Potomac Yard Fire Station Community Room

## Meeting Agenda

- I. Introductions
- II. Summary of Potomac Yard Development
- III. Landbay H/I East Multifamily
- IV. Update on North Potomac Yard Small Area Plan



#### DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND ZONING

DATE: April 12, 2017

TO: Potomac Yard Design Advisory Committee

FROM: Planning & Zoning Staff

SUBJECT: Landbay H/I East Multifamily Proposal

#### **Summary of Proposal**

The applicant, Potomac Yard Development (PYD), is requesting approval to construct two new multifamily residential buildings on a 53,709 square-foot (1.23-acre) site. The property is bounded by Swann Avenue to the north, Potomac Avenue to the east, Watson Street to the south, and Main Line Boulevard to the west (see Attachment #1 on page 4 for a vicinity map). The project has been referred to as Landbay H/I East Multifamily to distinguish it from the several Landbay H/I East residential townhouse blocks located to the south and approved under DSUP#2006-0018.

The two proposed multifamily residential buildings would each feature an L-shaped design and would be located to either side of a central pedestrian walkway and open space. The two-level, below-grade parking garage would contain a total of 207 spaces and would be accessible from Watson Street. Both buildings would be six stories and approximately 67 feet in height, although the east building would contain 70 units and the west building would contain 72 units. The total unit count for the project, consisting of a mix of one and two-bedrooms, would be 142.

The land-use approvals to be requested in connection with the multifamily project are:

- Master Plan Amendment to amend the Potomac Yard/Potomac Greens Small Area Plan to increase the maximum number of residential units in the plan area and to increase the maximum building height for this site from the current 55 feet;
- CDD Concept Plan Amendment to amend the CDD#10 Concept Plan to increase the maximum number of residential units for Landbay H/I.
- CDD Text Amendment to amend CDD#10 to increase the maximum number of residential units in the plan area from 2,137 to 2,243;
- Development Special Use Permit (DSUP) to construct the two multifamily residential buildings in CDD#10.

#### **Background**

The CDD#10 Concept Plan originally envisioned two alternatives for the area around the project site. In the "GSA Office" option, which was never activated, the subject site would have been consolidated with the property to the south. A large parking garage, to be used by an adjacent office tenant and ringed with residential townhouses, would have been constructed on the combined site. In the "Non-GSA Office" option that ultimately moved forward, multifamily residential was planned for the subject site while the property to its south would be developed with residential townhouses (which are currently under construction).

No previous DSUP approvals are active for the project site. At the present time, 2,101 of the currently-allowable 2,137 maximum residential units have been constructed or are under construction in CDD#10, leaving a balance of 36.

#### **Site Design**

The siting of the two proposed L-shaped buildings appears to be quite similar to examples provided in the Potomac Yard Design Guidelines. The buildings would be sited toward, and have main entrances facing, Swann Avenue to the north. This orientation, combined with the shorter frontages along Potomac Avenue and Main Line Boulevard, would frame the site and ensure appropriate street walls along the three major streets. Access to the underground parking garage, which spans the entire site below both buildings, is proposed for a discrete location on Watson Street, which, practically speaking, functions as a side street. Open space, measuring 11,700 square feet, would be located on the south-central portion of the site adjacent to lower-density residential townhouses across Watson Street. A pedestrian path would divide the proposed two buildings and its open space in half as a continuation of the mid-block pedestrian paths existing on several residential townhouse blocks to the south.

#### **Building Design**

The proposed buildings have been designed with symmetrical architectural expressions. Each would be six stories in height, creating a logical transition between the four-story townhouses to the south and the much taller office building planned across Swann Avenue to the north (Landbay H). The buildings would be primarily clad in red brick (second through fifth floors), with a cream brick to distinguish the wall around the main entrance and an alternating brick pattern on the first floor. A heavy cornice between the fifth and sixth floors would separate the brick façade from the top floor, which is clad in dark gray cementitious siding. The proposed building wall includes some indentations to provide visual interest and to accommodate balconies. Overall, the buildings are intended to offer an attractive, traditional design.

#### Conclusion

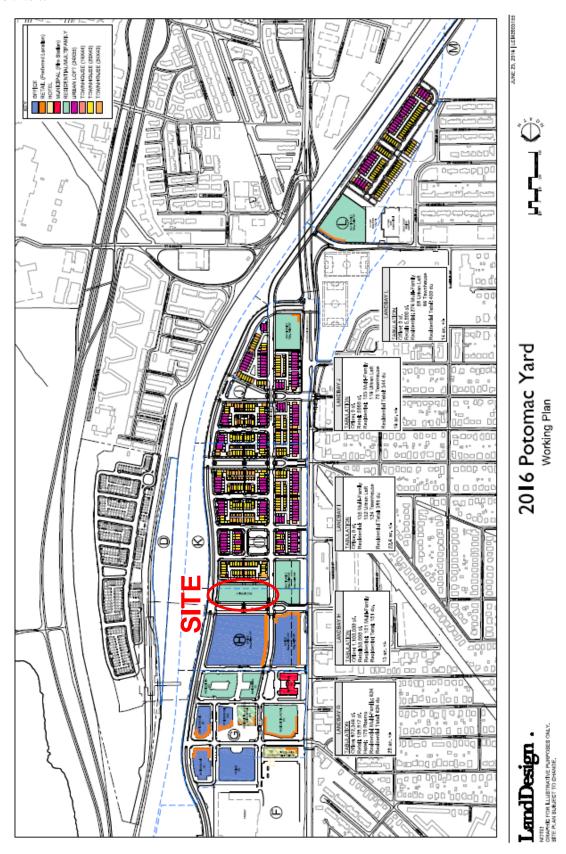
Planning & Zoning staff has worked with the applicant to refine the site and building design for the current submission compared to previous plans. For example, it had previously recommended adding the southern portion of each building's current L-shaped footprint,

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lowering the building's entrance to the street level, revising the entrance design to achieve greater prominence, and revising the façade and materials to produce a more traditional design. Staff believes that the current submission, including staff's recommended refinements, is in general conformance with the Potomac Yard Design Guidelines. It welcomes any further input that PYDAC members may have regarding project design.

Staff will continue to review the project for conformance with the guidelines as more information is submitted. It is anticipated that a formal application for a Preliminary Plan will be submitted soon, with the project tentatively scheduled to be heard by Planning Commission and City Council in September 2017.

#### Attachment #1

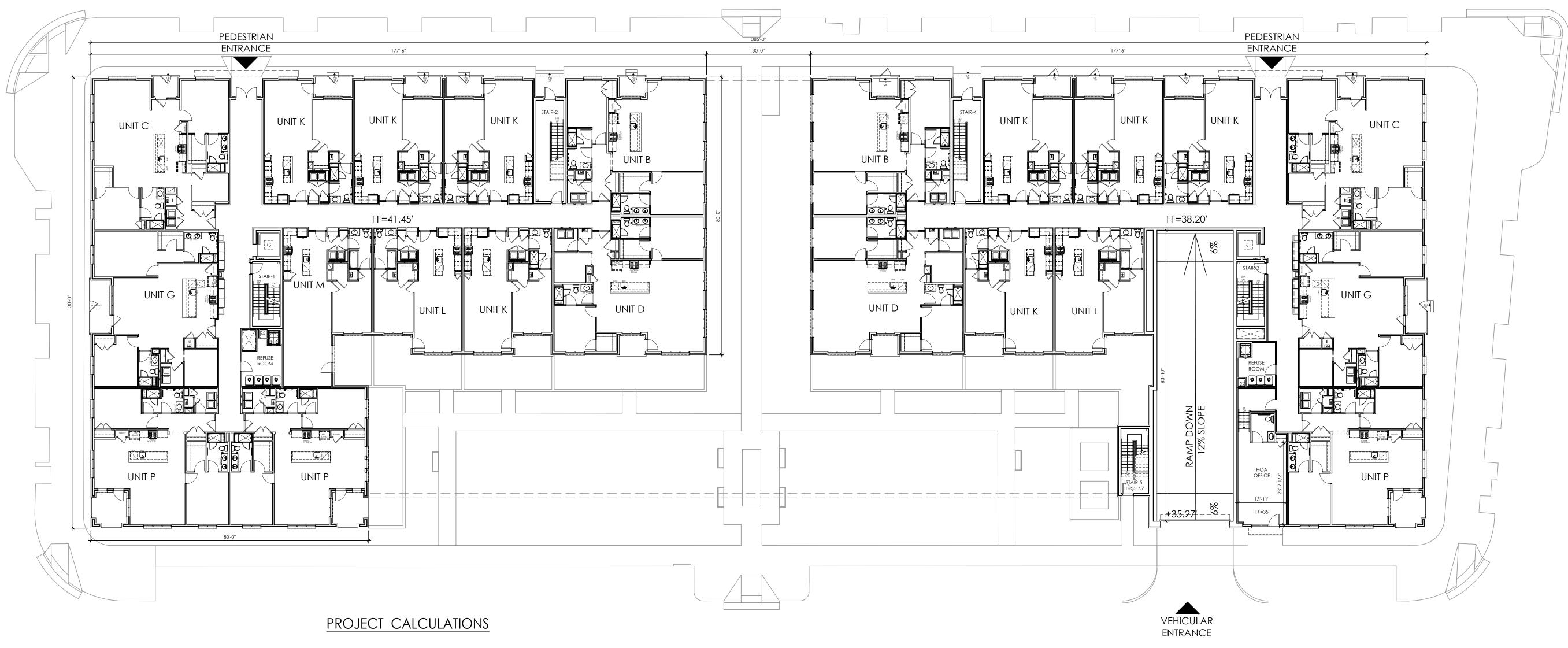




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## **UNIT CALCULATIONS**

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		1ST.	2ND.	3RD.	4TH.	5TH.	<b>6TH.</b>	TOTAL	PER BUILDING	TOTAL	PER BUILDING
	1BR	6	5	5	5	5	5	31		31	
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BUILDING-1 (WEST)	2BR	3	3	3	3	3	3	18	12	36	108
(WEST)	2BR + DEN	3	3	3	3	3	3	18		36	
	1BR	5	5	5	5	5	5	30		30	
BUILDING-2 (EAST)	1BR + DEN	0	1	1	1	1	1	5	70	5	105
	2BR	2	3	3	3	3	3	17	70	34	
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		UNIT TOTAL	
	1BR	61	43%
UNIT MIX	1BR + DEN	10	7%
%	2BR	35	24.5%
	2BR + DEN	36	25.5%
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## **UNIT TYPES**

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		M	1	1	1	1	1	1	6
	1BR + DEN	N	0	1	1	1	1	1	5
<b>BUILDING-1</b>	2BR	В	1	1	1	1	1	1	6
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<b>BUILDING-2</b>	2BR	В	1	1	1	1	1	1	6
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		D	1	1	1	1	1	1	6
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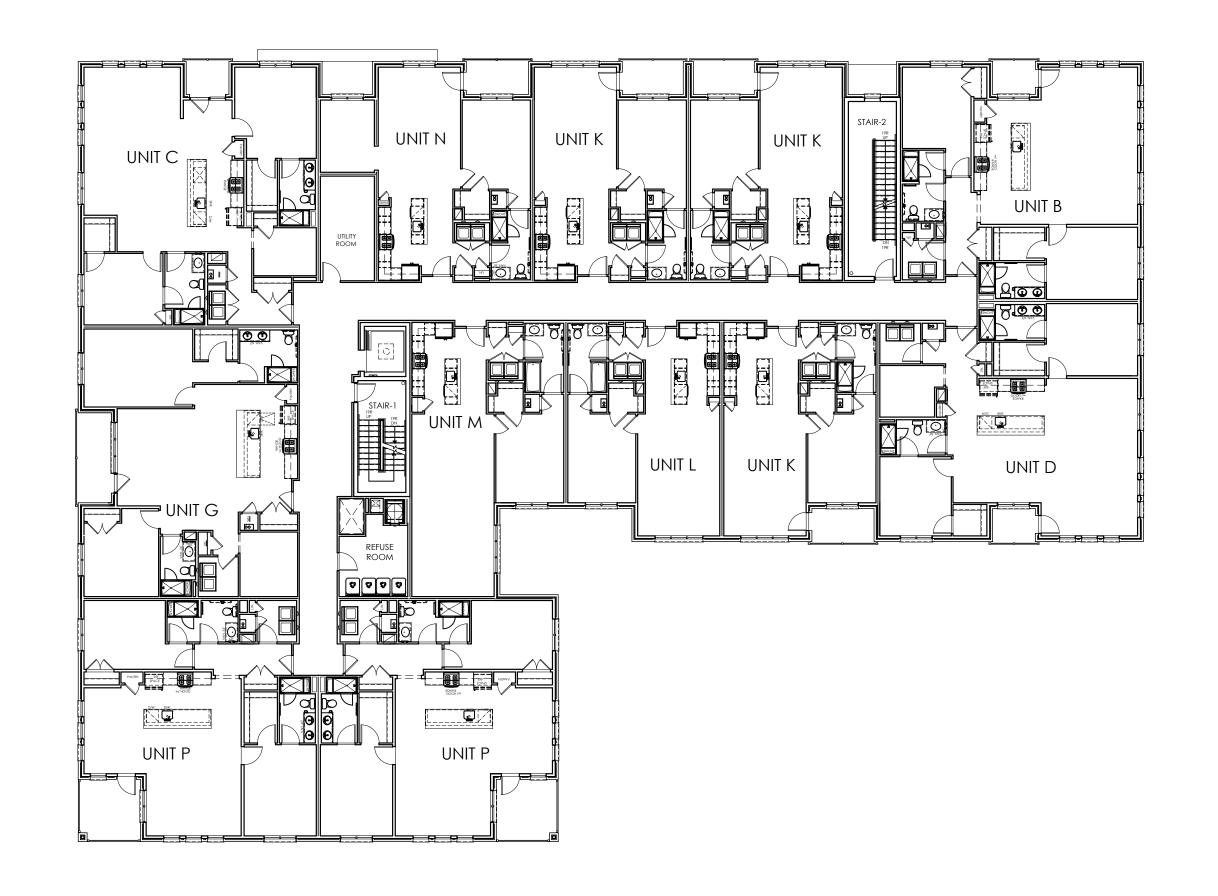
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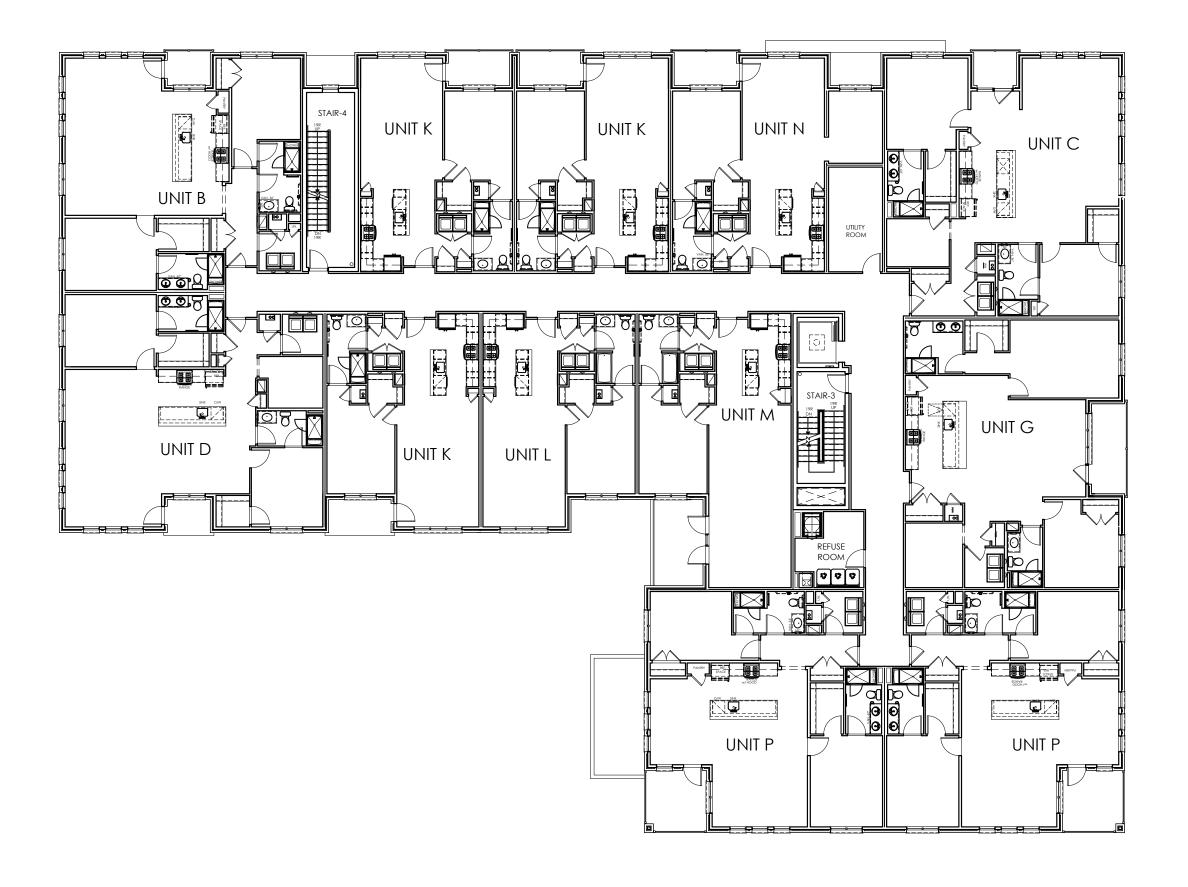


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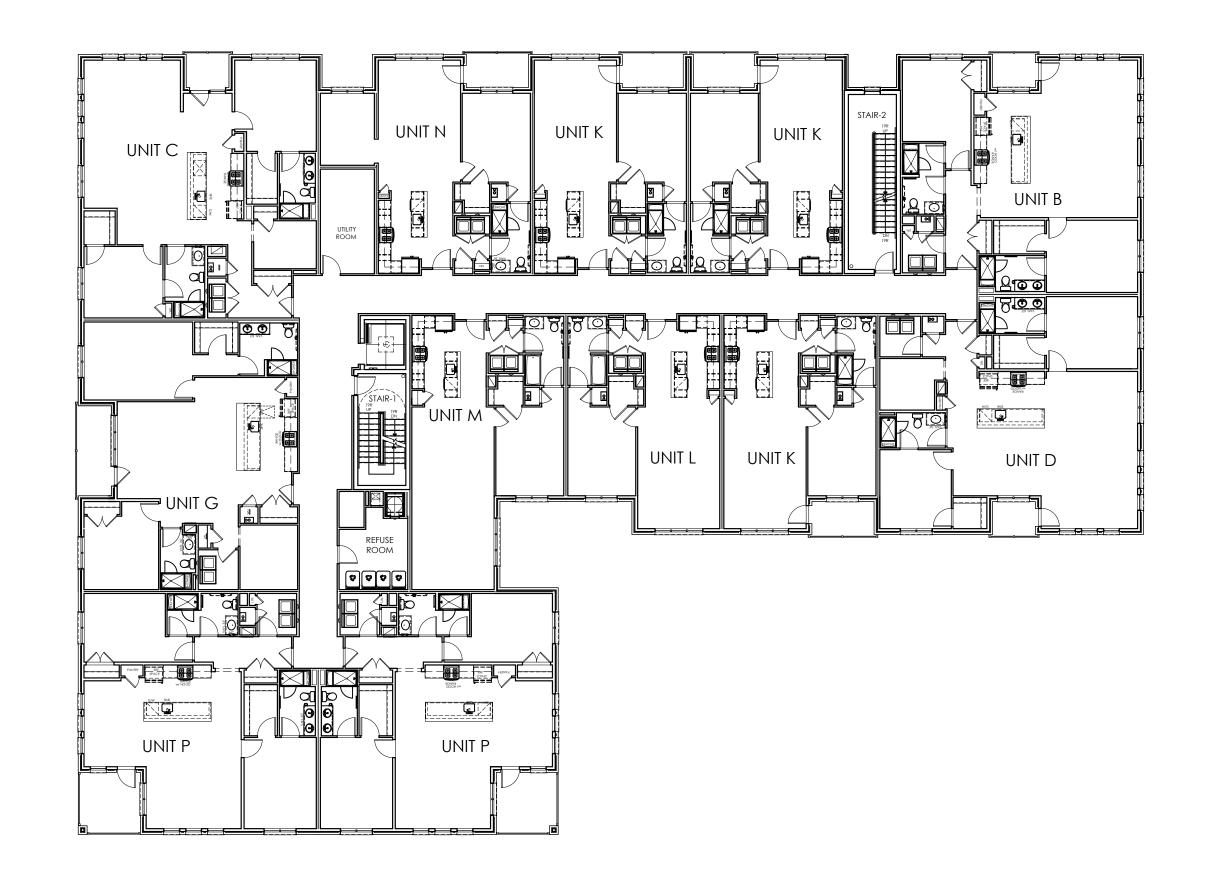


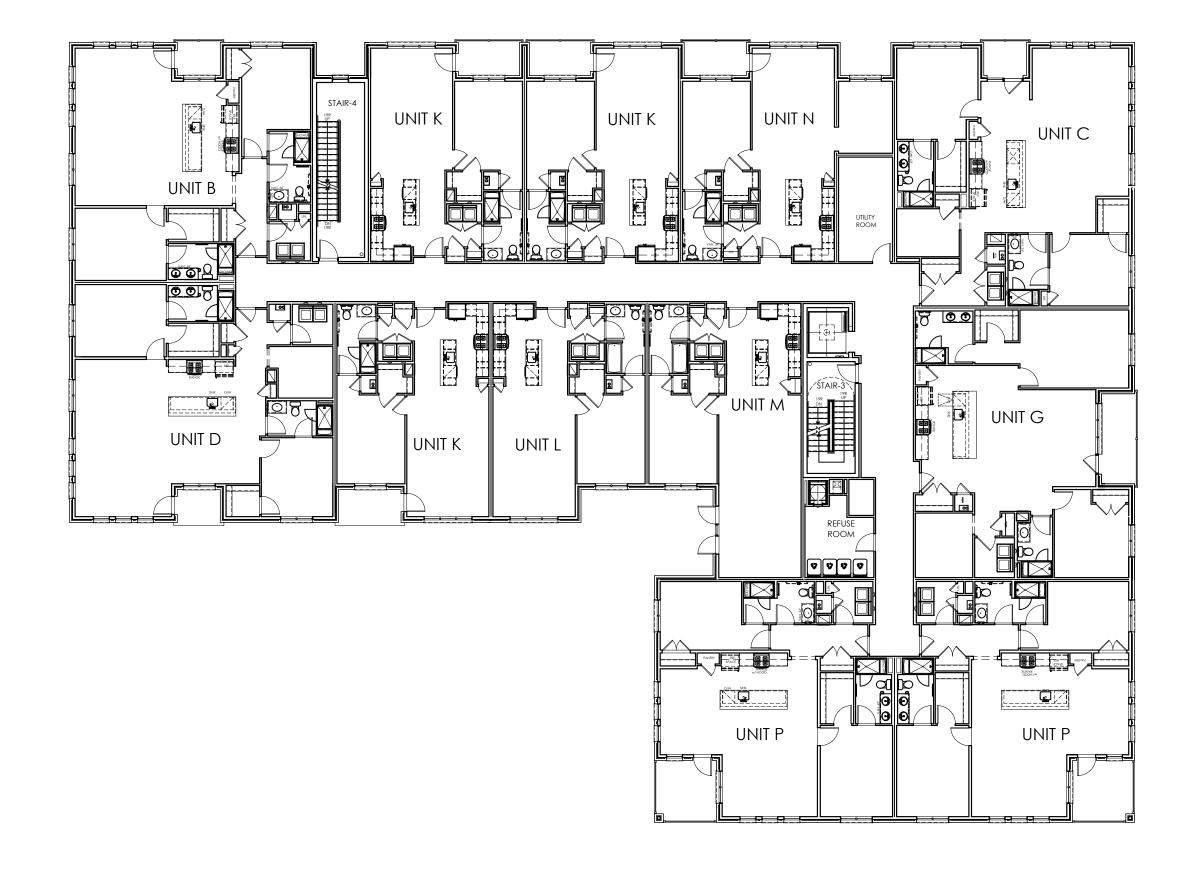


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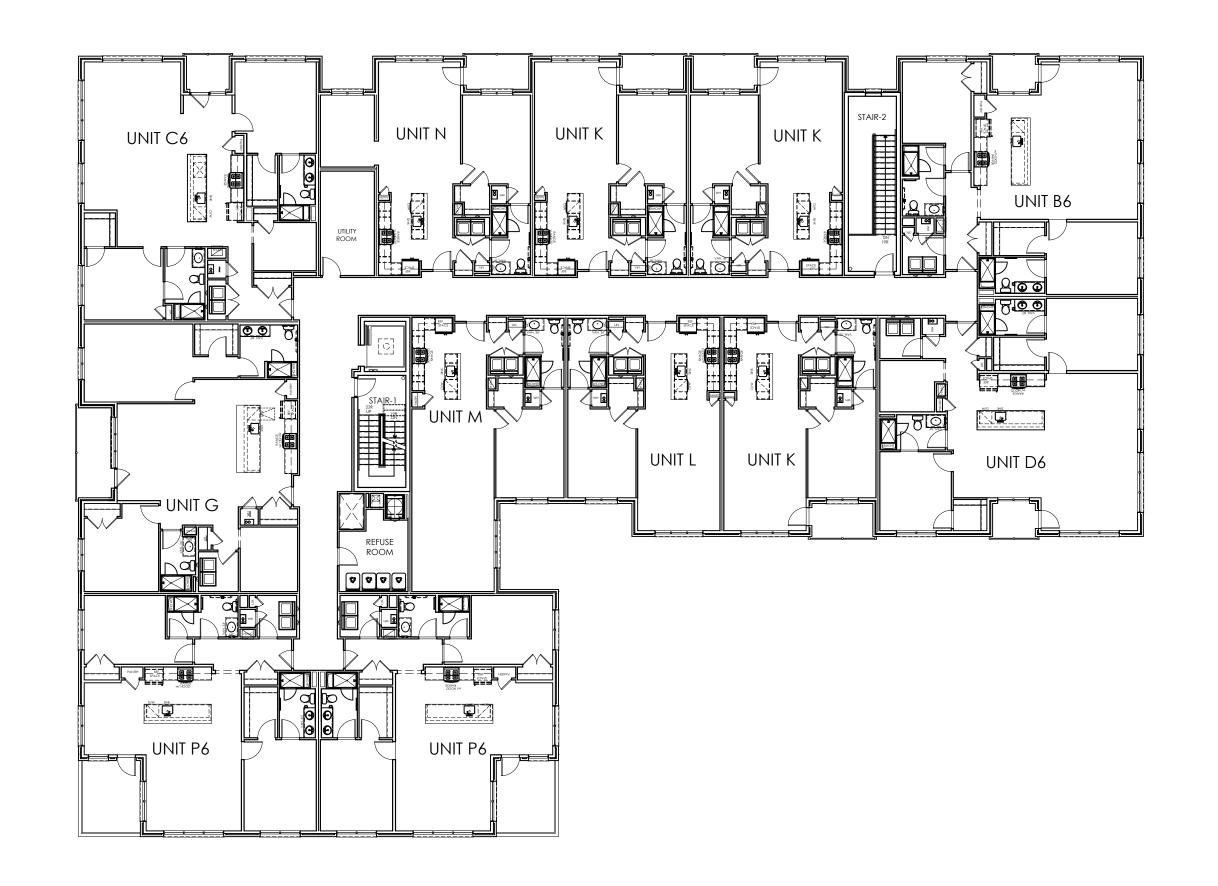








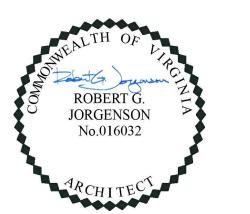




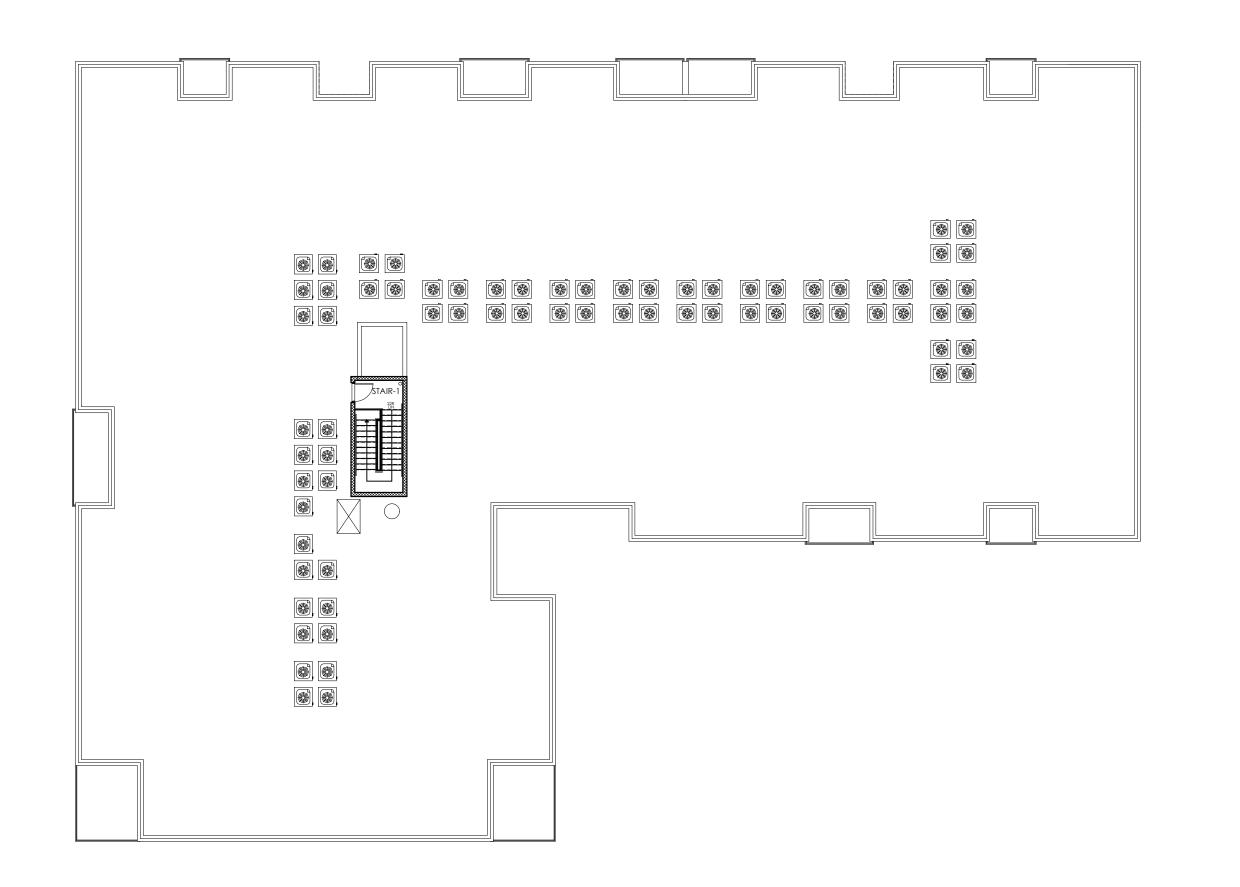


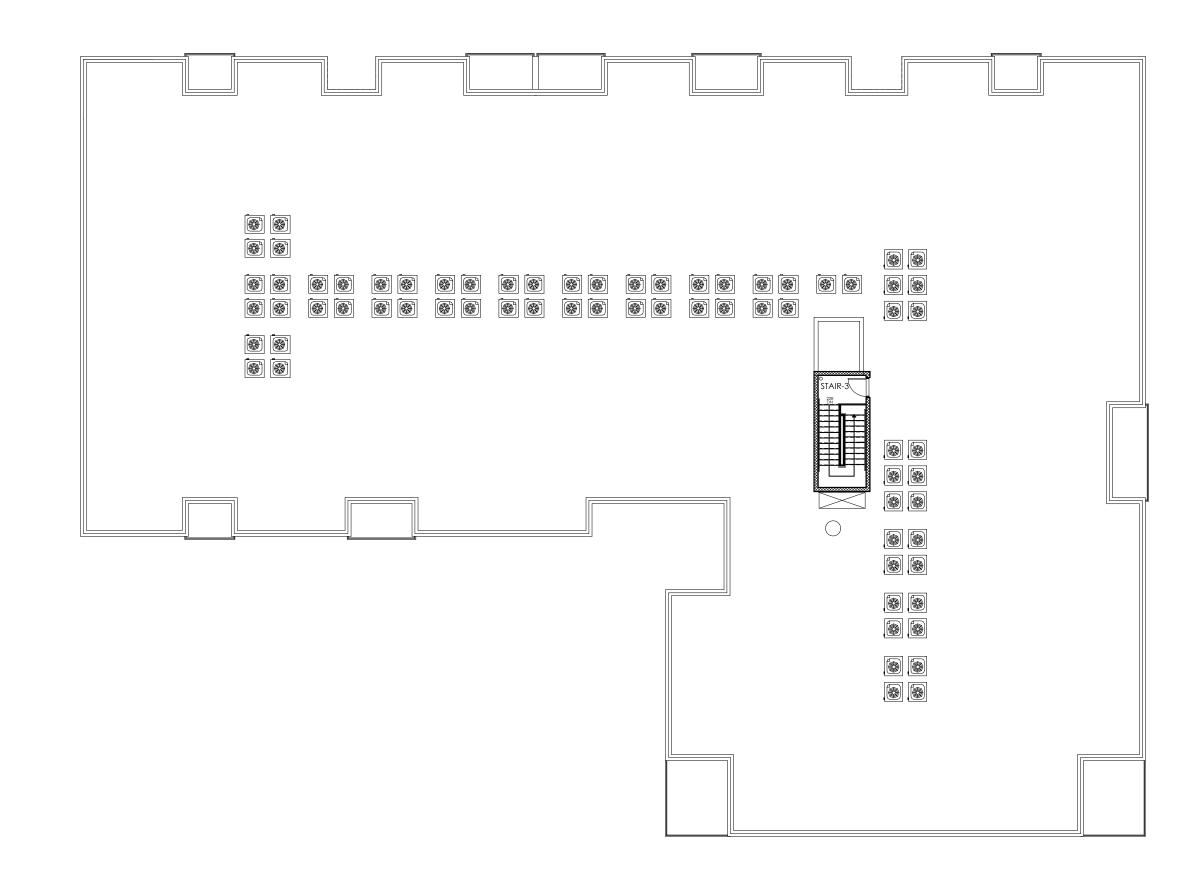




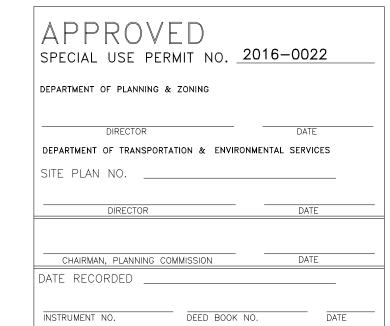


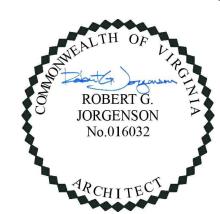
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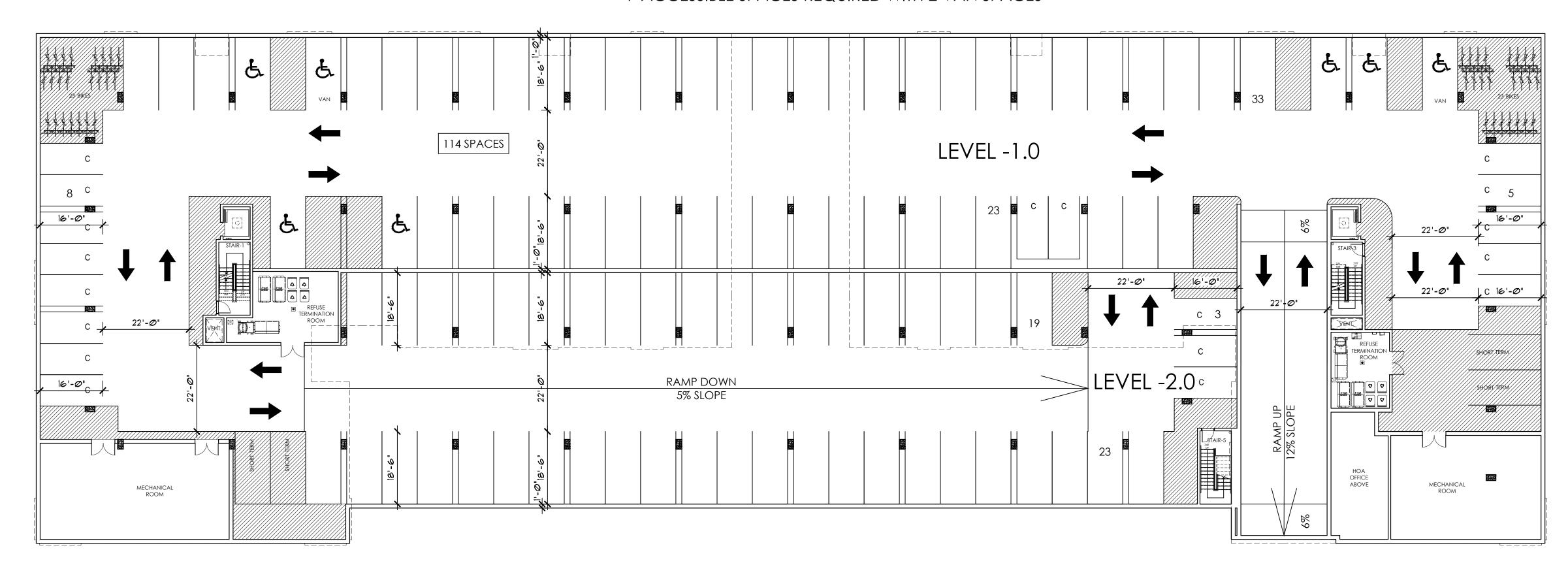






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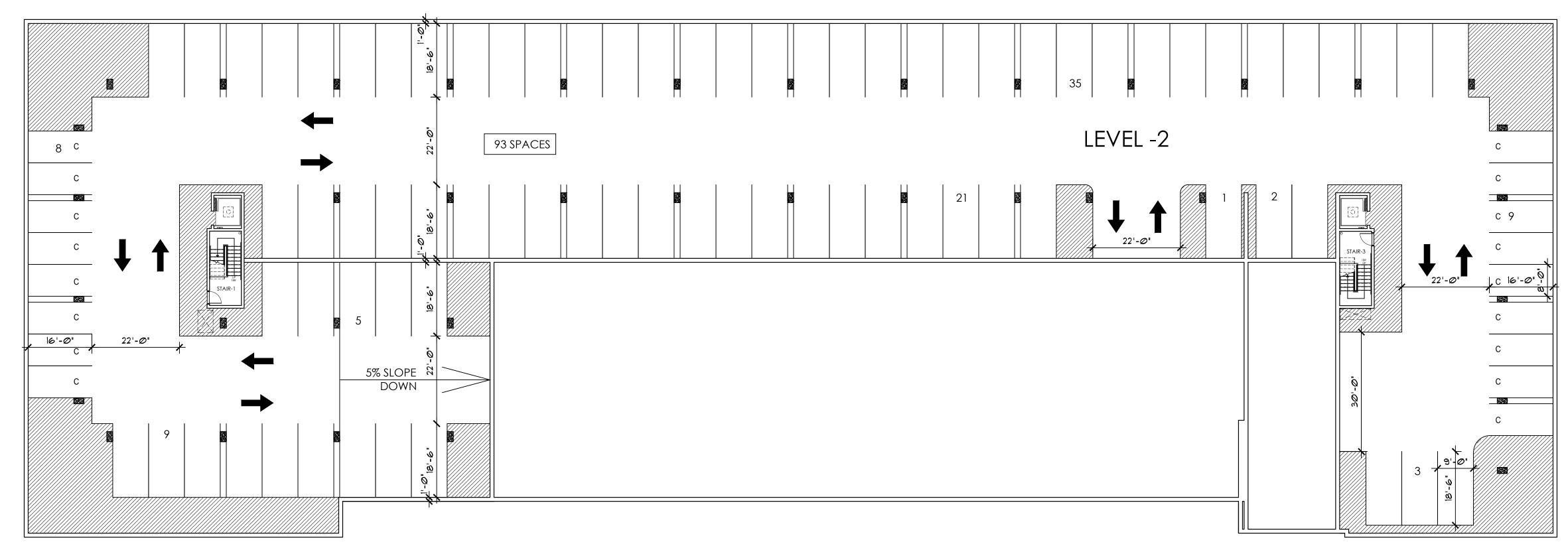




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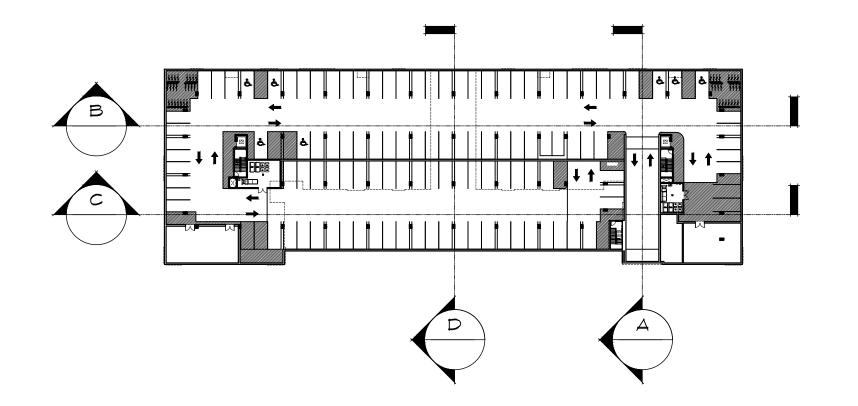


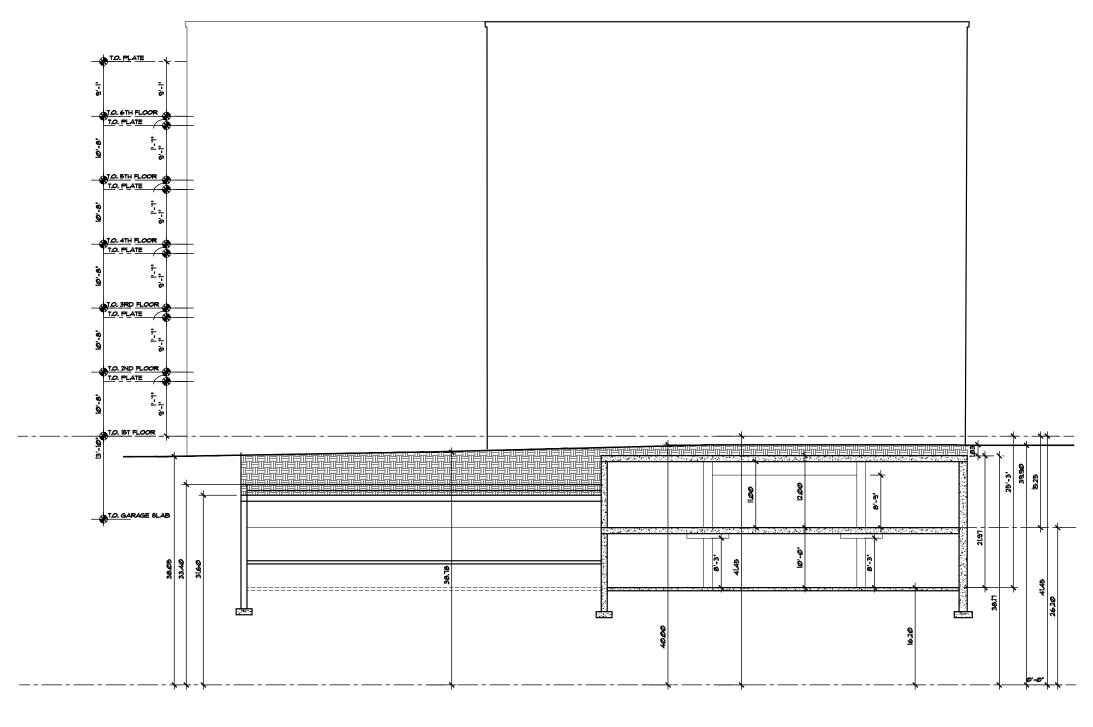




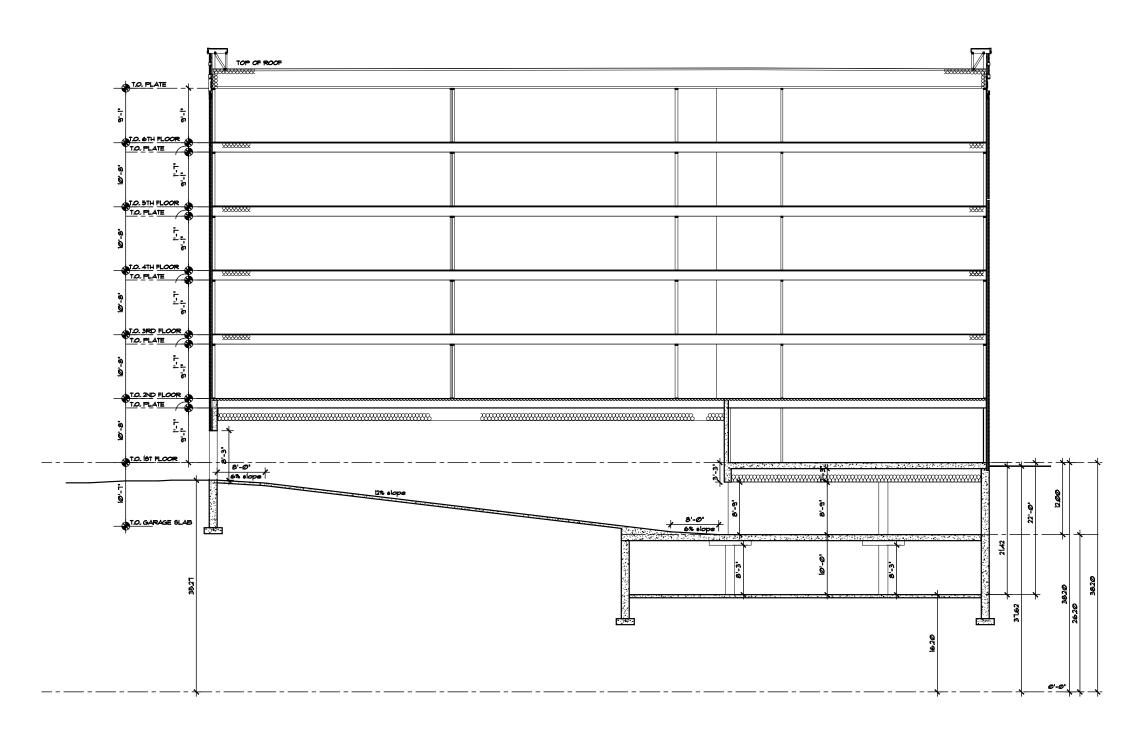






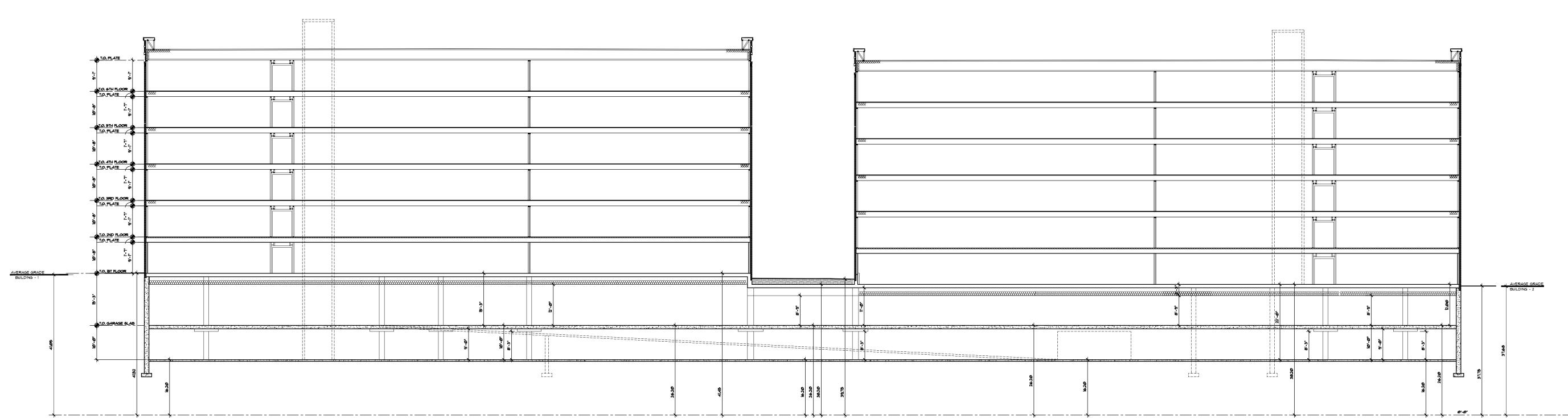


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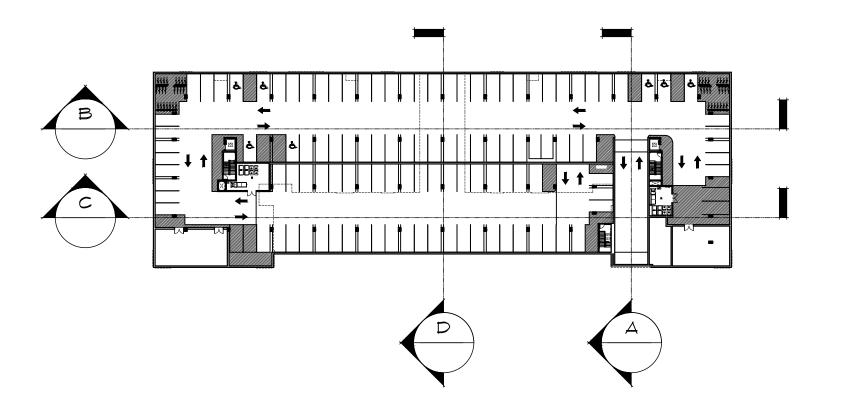
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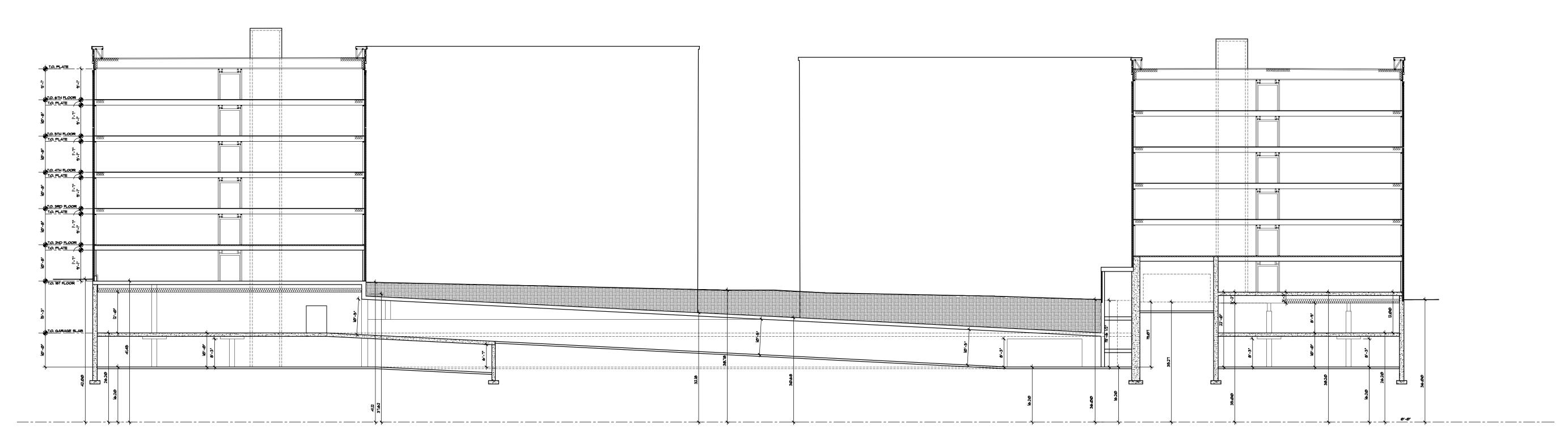
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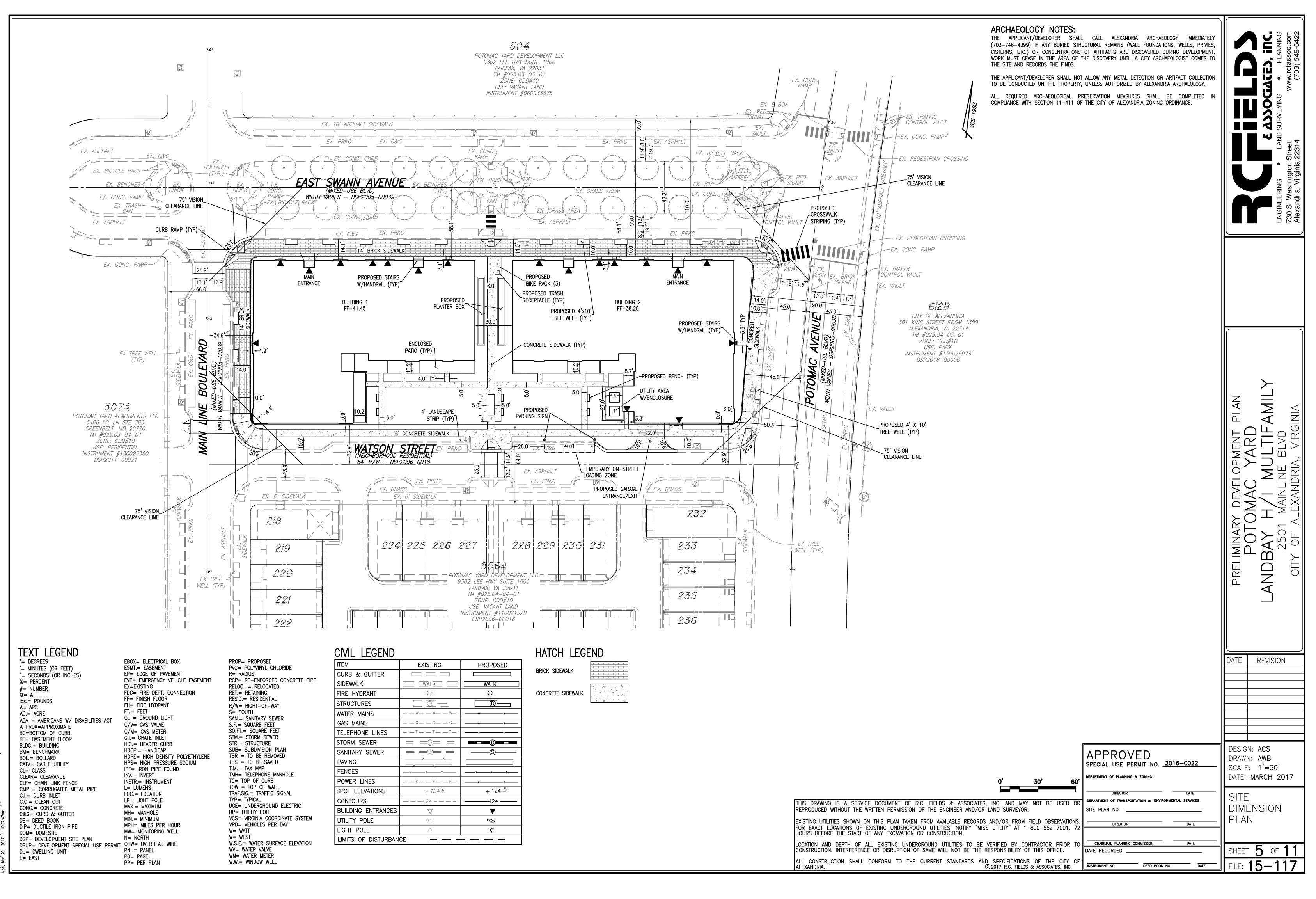
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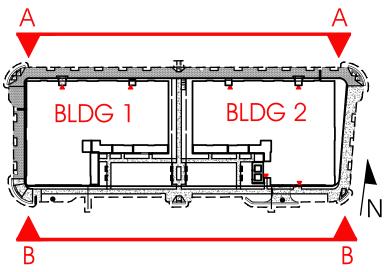
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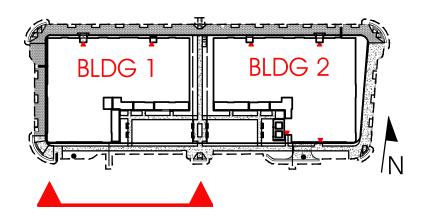
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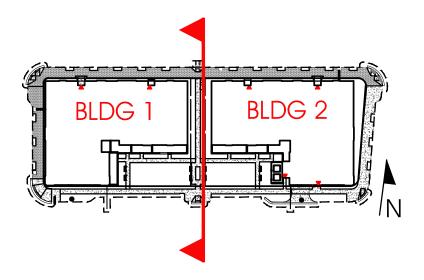




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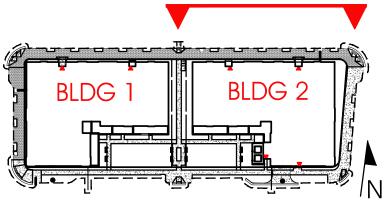
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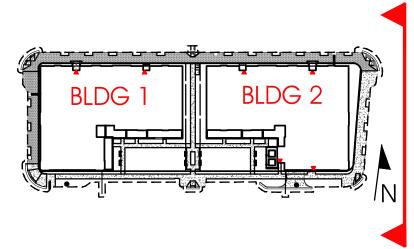




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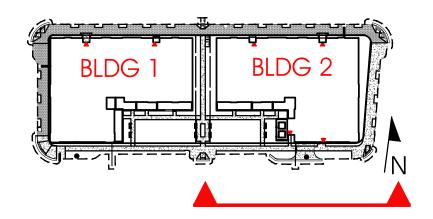




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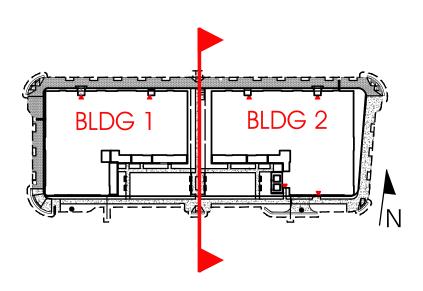




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